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PETITION FOR ASSERTION OF SMALL-ENTITY STATUS

Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby asserts that the party holding rights in the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application qualifies for small-entity status.

Should there be any questions concerning this request, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 832-1703.

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